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To the Afro-American Sons & Daughters
Throughout the Jurisdiction:

The undersigned members of your Executive Board most solemnly take this method of memorializing you to do a solemn duty on the coming Christmas. Our reasons are as follows:

First, our worthy Custodian has been and is a tireless worker for the building of our noble organization and placing it along by the side of the leading institutions of its kind in the country on safe and sound basis in the matter of permanency in the life of our people.

Second, this, our organization, is his gift, his contribution to our race group which has been a very great benefactor to so many of us not only in a fraternal way but a financial way as well.

Third, that he cannot long endure at the present rate he is going to further spread out this race co-operation and race beneficence.

Therefore, we are asking that each lodge will make our beloved Custodian a Christmas gift of \$2.50, this amount to be brought or sent to the office on Dec. 27, 1928, the opening day of the hospital.

The purpose is to buy the Custodian a diamond ring. This diamond ring should be of such value as will represent the contribution of all the lodges in the State. If so, it will be a lasting souvenir to show forth to our Custodian the lasting devotion of our love and confidence in him. Let each lodge respond, for the time to do nice things for a faithful servant is while he still lives. Don't wait until our Custodian is dead to cast flowers on his grave. Let him smell the fragrance of the rose while he still lives.

Faithfully yours, L. T. MILLER, M. D.

Rev. E. L. TWINE, (Editor.)

DEDICATION PROGRAM FOR OUR NEW HOSPITAL

Elaborate Program in Yazoo City Thursday, Dec. 27, 1928, to Celebrate Momentous Occasion.

The dedication of the Afro-American Sons & Daughters Hospital will take place at the County Court House in Yazoo City, Miss., Dec. 27, 1928. Rev. Sutton E. Griggs, of Memphis, Tenn., will be the principal speaker. The Mound Bayou Band will furnish music for the occasion. Everybody is invited. A special invitation is extended to all lodges to be present.

Special preparations are being made to serve lunches to all members wearing the Afro badge.

There will be an Auto Parade from the Court House to the Hospital, conducted by the State Marshal. Signs will be given by Custodian while the band plays "No More." A photo will be made of the Hospital with all of the Afros standing in front of the building. There will be two or three decorated cars in the parade, and all others will have United States flags. The Custodian and President will confer the Fourth Degree after lunch.

All members must be at the Court House at 11 o'clock. A special invitation is extended to our white friends to hear our program.

Regular membership drive all day. All Financial Secretary and President may bring five new members at \$1.00 each and receive \$2.50 in Gold. Five hundred new members are expected to join. Flags and badges will be on sale at the Court House.

The following is the program which will